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Local Jobs and Payroll in Wyoming in First Quarter 2014: Oil & Gas Jobs Come Back and Overall Job Growth Accelerates

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The purpose of this article is to illustrate and describe employment and payroll changes between first quarter 2013 and first quarter 2014. These economic changes help gauge the overall strength of Wyoming’s economy and identify the fastest and slowest growing sectors and geographic areas.

Total unemployment insurance (UI) covered payroll increased by \$97.3 million (3.2%) in first quarter 2014. Employment rose by 3,062 jobs (1.1%) and average weekly wage increased by \$18 (2.1%). In first quarter, employment grew faster than its five-year average (1.1% compared to 0.1%), total wages grew faster than their five-year average (3.2% compared to 2.6%), but average weekly wage grew just slower than its five-year average (2.1% compared to 2.4%; see Table 1, page 3). After losing jobs for six consecutive quarters, the mining sector (including oil & gas) gained 366 jobs (1.4%) in first quarter. In terms of dollars, UI covered payroll represents approximately 91.5% of all wage

and salary disbursements and 43.8% of personal income in the state (U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, 2014). Analysts have noted that “minerals related employment is one of the key predictors of sales and use tax revenue” in Wyoming (CREG 2010).

Despite the recent growth, overall employment remained approximately 2,250 jobs (0.1%) below its first quarter 2008 level. In short, the state has yet to make up all the job losses of 2009 and 2010.

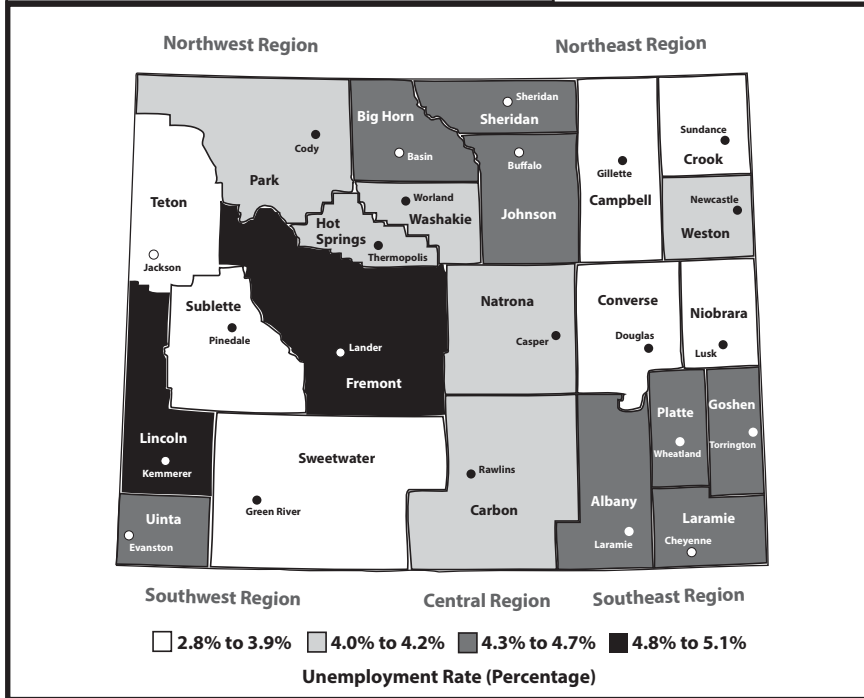
The covered payroll and employment data in this article are tabulated by place

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HIGHLIGHTS

- According to UI records there were approximately 163 businesses in Ambulatory Health Care Services in Natrona County in 2005Q2 and by 2013Q2 that number had risen to about 200. During that time, about 76 new businesses opened; however, approximately 30 employers closed their operations. ... page 13
- The mean quarterly wage for persons working one job in Wyoming increased from \$10,424 in 2013Q2 to \$10,833 in 2014Q2, an increase of 3.9%. Mean quarterly wages also increased from previous year levels for all others holding two or more jobs. ... page 15

Unemployment Rate by Wyoming County, August 2014 (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



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of work, in contrast to the labor force estimates (see page 21), which are a measure of employed and unemployed persons by place of residence. Also, the employment data presented in this article represent a count of jobs, not persons. When individuals work more than one job, each job is counted separately. Finally, job growth (or decline) is stated in terms of net change. The Quarterly Turnover Statistics by Industry table (see page 16) presents alternative measures of job gains and losses using the same data sources and calculated to describe the components of change.

Figure 1 shows Wyoming wage and salary employment by covered/non-covered status. Approximately 92% of wage and salary jobs in the state are covered by state unemployment insurance, while 2.6% of jobs are covered by federal unemployment insurance administered by the railroad retirement board. There are several categories of non-covered jobs, and together they account for approximately 5% of wage and salary jobs in the state. Some

examples of non-covered employment include elected officials, students working at educational institutions, employees of churches, and workers at small non-profit organizations.

Figure 2 (see page 4) shows that after remaining below 1.0% for six quarters, job growth accelerated in first quarter 2014. Stronger growth was also seen in total payroll, which rose by 3.2% (see Table 2, page 4).

Employment and Wages by County

Employment rose in 14 counties and fell in nine

counties (see Table 3, page 5). Total payroll increased in 21 counties and decreased in two counties.

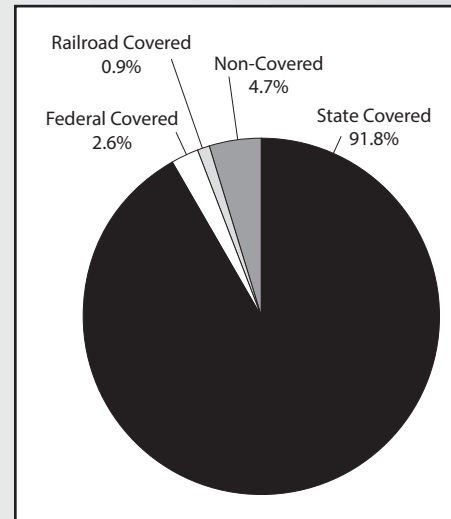


Figure 1: Wyoming Wage and Salary Employment by Covered/Non-Covered Status, March 2011

Table 1: Percentage Change in Wyoming Covered Employment and Wages for First Quarter 2010 (2010Q1) to First Quarter 2014 (2014Q1)

	Average Monthly Employment Percentage Change Over the Previous		Total Wages Percentage Change Over the Previous		Average Weekly Wage Percentage Change Over the Previous	
	Year	Quarter	Year	Quarter	Year	Quarter
2010Q1	-4.7	-3.2	-4.9	-9.8	-0.3	-6.7
2011Q1	1.1	-3.3	5.4	-10.3	4.3	-7.3
2012Q1	2.5	-2.9	8.0	-5.5	5.4	-2.7
2013Q1	0.3	-2.9	1.1	-8.2	0.8	-5.5
2014Q1 ^a	1.1	-2.4	3.2	-6.7	2.1	-4.4
Five-Year Average for Q1	0.1	-2.9	2.6	-8.1	2.4	-5.3

^aPreliminary.

Source: Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, developed through a cooperative program between Research & Planning and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Extract date: July 2014.

Teton County added 842 jobs (5.1%), but its total payroll fell by \$5.4 million (-3.0%). Large job gains were seen in accommodation & food services (approximately 350 jobs), retail trade (approximately 100 jobs), construction (approximately 100 jobs), professional & technical services (more than 50 jobs), and real estate & rental & leasing (approximately 50 jobs). The decrease in total payroll was related to a bonus paid in first quarter 2013 and not repeated in 2014.

Employment in Campbell County rose by 495 jobs (1.8%) and its total payroll grew by \$11.4 million (3.0%). Job growth occurred in construction (approximately

300 jobs), accommodation & food services (nearly 200 jobs), wholesale trade (more than 100 jobs), and transportation & warehousing (more than 100 jobs). Employment fell in other services (approximately 150 jobs) and mining (approximately 100 jobs).

Carbon County gained 431 jobs (6.5%) and its total payroll rose by \$17.5 million (25.3%). Construction employment rose by approximately 300 jobs and smaller gains were seen in transportation & warehousing and accommodation & food services.

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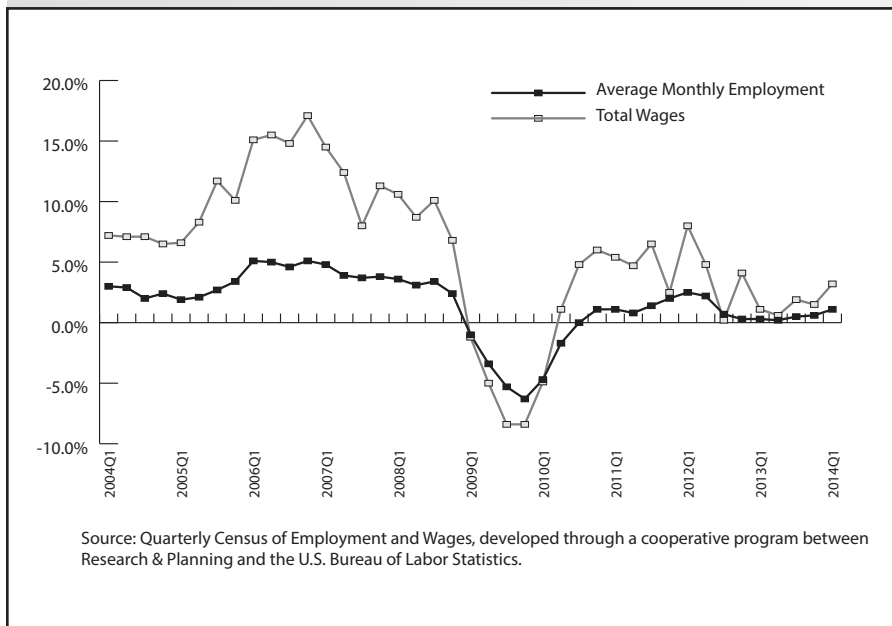


Figure 2: Over-the-Year Percentage Change in Wyoming Covered Employment and Wages, First Quarter 2004 (2004Q1) to First Quarter 2014 (2014Q1)

Table 2: Over-the-Year Percentage Change in Wyoming Covered Employment and Wages for First Quarter 2004 (2004Q1) to First Quarter 2014 (2014Q1)

	Average Monthly Employment	Total Wages
2004Q1	3.0	7.2
2004Q2	2.9	7.1
2004Q3	2.0	7.1
2004Q4	2.4	6.5
2005Q1	1.9	6.6
2005Q2	2.1	8.3
2005Q3	2.7	11.7
2005Q4	3.4	10.1
2006Q1	5.1	15.1
2006Q2	5.0	15.5
2006Q3	4.6	14.8
2006Q4	5.1	17.1
2007Q1	4.8	14.5
2007Q2	3.9	12.4
2007Q3	3.7	8.0
2007Q4	3.8	11.3
2008Q1	3.6	10.6
2008Q2	3.1	8.7
2008Q3	3.4	10.1
2008Q4	2.4	6.8
2009Q1	-1.0	-1.2
2009Q2	-3.4	-5.0
2009Q3	-5.3	-8.4
2009Q4	-6.3	-8.4
2010Q1	-4.7	-4.9
2010Q2	-1.7	1.1
2010Q3	0.0	4.8
2010Q4	1.1	6.0
2011Q1	1.1	5.4
2011Q2	0.8	4.7
2011Q3	1.4	6.5
2011Q4	2.0	2.5
2012Q1	2.5	8.0
2012Q2	2.2	4.8
2012Q3	0.7	0.2
2012Q4	0.3	4.1
2013Q1	0.3	1.1
2013Q2	0.2	0.6
2013Q3	0.5	1.9
2013Q4	0.6	1.5
2014Q1 ^a	1.1	3.2

^aPreliminary.
Source: Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, developed through a cooperative program between Research & Planning and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.
Extract date: July 2014.

Table 3: Wyoming Average Monthly Employment, Total Payroll, and Average Weekly Wage for First Quarter by County, 2013 and 2014^a

County	Average Monthly Employment			Total Payroll			Average Weekly Wage				
	First Quarter	Change	%	First Quarter	Change	%	First Quarter	Change	%		
	2013	2014	n	2013	2014		2013	2014			
Total	270,881	273,943	3,062	1.1	\$3,024,233,488	\$3,121,576,339	\$97,342,851	\$859	\$877	\$18	2.1
Albany	15,199	15,251	52	0.3	\$136,472,959	\$140,011,813	\$3,538,854	\$691	\$706	\$15	2.2
Big Horn	4,085	4,044	-41	-1.0	36,991,745	38,820,728	1,828,983	697	738	41	5.9
Campbell	27,030	27,525	495	1.8	382,029,072	393,456,867	11,427,795	1,087	1,100	13	1.2
Carbon	6,662	7,093	431	6.5	69,347,583	86,883,322	17,535,739	801	942	141	17.6
Converse	5,982	6,298	316	5.3	66,095,825	73,783,253	7,687,428	850	901	51	6.0
Crook	2,232	2,271	39	1.7	20,431,104	21,291,054	859,950	704	721	17	2.4
Fremont	16,488	16,113	-375	-2.3	159,476,070	159,532,500	56,430	744	762	18	2.4
Goshen	4,511	4,479	-32	-0.7	36,466,630	37,372,602	905,972	622	642	20	3.2
Hot Springs	2,073	2,054	-19	-0.9	17,226,611	17,947,140	720,529	639	672	33	5.2
Johnson	3,190	3,250	60	1.9	27,067,777	29,194,327	2,126,550	653	691	38	5.8
Laramie	43,476	44,696	1,220	2.8	462,507,155	476,133,331	13,626,176	818	819	1	0.1
Lincoln	5,429	5,459	30	0.6	55,831,340	56,782,967	951,627	791	800	9	1.1
Natrona	40,925	41,379	454	1.1	480,157,150	503,047,259	22,890,109	903	935	32	3.5
Niobrara	904	935	31	3.4	7,127,133	8,623,641	1,496,508	606	709	103	17.0
Park	12,495	12,517	22	0.2	120,925,522	122,420,477	1,494,955	744	752	8	1.1
Platte	3,391	3,313	-78	-2.3	32,322,741	32,897,345	574,604	733	764	31	4.2
Sheridan	12,308	12,626	318	2.6	114,869,460	118,792,886	3,923,426	718	724	6	0.8
Sublette	4,744	4,621	-123	-2.6	72,253,015	74,623,720	2,370,705	1,172	1,242	70	6.0
Sweetwater	24,430	24,140	-290	-1.2	346,121,487	354,528,441	8,406,954	1,090	1,130	40	3.7
Teton	16,652	17,494	842	5.1	178,565,826	173,131,813	-5,434,013	825	761	-64	-7.8
Uinta	8,747	8,614	-133	-1.5	90,271,386	89,324,543	-946,843	794	798	4	0.5
Washakie	3,674	3,631	-43	-1.2	33,435,354	34,896,624	1,461,270	700	739	39	5.6
Weston	2,234	2,281	47	2.1	20,742,253	21,127,129	384,876	714	712	-2	-0.3
Nonclassified ^b	4,018	3,859	-159	-4.0	57,498,290	56,952,557	-545,733	1,101	1,135	35	3.1

^aPreliminary.

^bThe employer may be located statewide or in more than one county.

Source: Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, developed through a cooperative program between Research & Planning and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Extract date: July 2014.

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Sheridan County added 318 jobs (2.6%) and its total payroll grew by \$3.9 million (3.4%). The largest job gains occurred in construction (nearly 200 jobs), accommodation & food services (nearly 100 jobs), retail trade (nearly 100 jobs), and manufacturing (approximately 50 jobs). Small job losses were seen in mining (including oil & gas), local government, and other services.

Converse County gained 316 jobs (5.3%) and its total payroll rose by \$7.7 million (11.6%). Notable job growth was reported in mining (including oil & gas), construction, manufacturing, and transportation & warehousing.

Fremont County lost 375 jobs (-2.3%) and its total payroll was practically unchanged (\$56,430, or 0.0%). Local government (including public schools & colleges) lost more than 150 jobs, and smaller job losses were seen in accommodation & food services, state government, construction, retail trade, and health care & social assistance.

Employment fell by 290 jobs (-1.2%) in Sweetwater County, but its total payroll rose by \$8.4 million (2.4%). Job losses were seen in construction (more than 100 jobs), accommodation & food services (approximately 100 jobs), and mining (approximately 50 jobs).

Uinta County lost 133 jobs (-1.5%) and its total payroll fell by \$0.9 million (-1.0%). Employment fell in construction, mining, accommodation & food services, and health care & social assistance.

Natrona County added 454 jobs (1.1%) and its total payroll rose by \$22.9 million (4.8%; see Table 4, page 7). The largest job

gains occurred in construction (214 jobs, or 7.4%), health care & social assistance (130 jobs, or 2.3%), mining (including oil & gas; 110 jobs, or 2.8%), and accommodation & food services (97 jobs, or 2.5%). These job gains were partially offset by job losses in other services (-299 jobs, or -14.7%).

Laramie County added 1,220 jobs (2.8%) and its total payroll increased by \$13.6 million (2.9%; see Table 5, page 8). Job growth was greatest in transportation & warehousing (516 jobs, or 21.3%), construction (191 jobs, or 7.1%), accommodation & food services (178 jobs, or 4.4%), and mining (including oil & gas; 151 jobs, or 77.4%). Employment fell in state government (-61 jobs, or -1.5%), federal government (-38 jobs, or -1.5%), and other services (-36 jobs, or -2.8%).

Statewide Employment and Wages by Industry

At the statewide level, the largest job gains occurred in construction, accommodation & food services, transportation & warehousing, mining (including oil & gas), and manufacturing (see Table 6, page 9). Job losses were seen in other services, state government, and local government.

Construction added 1,238 jobs (6.5%) and its total payroll grew by \$20.9 million (9.4%). Construction of buildings gained more than 200 jobs, heavy & civil engineering construction gained approximately 650 jobs, and specialty trade contractors gained approximately 350 jobs.

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Table 4: Natrona County Average Monthly Employment, Total Payroll, and Average Weekly Wage for First Quarter by Industry, 2013 and 2014^a

NAICS ^b Title	Average Monthly Employment				Total Payroll				Average Weekly Wage			
	First Quarter		Change		First Quarter		Change		First Quarter		Change	
	2013	2014	n	%	2013	2014	\$	%	2013	2014	\$	%
Total, All Industries	40,925	41,379	454	1.1	\$480,157,150	\$503,047,259	\$22,890,109	4.8	\$903	\$935	\$32	3.5
Total Private	35,201	35,598	397	1.1	\$411,626,222	\$433,366,938	\$21,740,716	5.3	\$900	\$936	\$36	4.0
Agriculture	111	113	2	1.8	615,869	666,012	50,143	8.1	427	453	26	6.1
Mining	3,988	4,098	110	2.8	90,616,388	99,835,109	9,218,721	10.2	1,748	1,874	126	7.2
Utilities	136	143	7	5.1	2,060,198	2,422,693	362,495	17.6	1,165	1,303	138	11.8
Construction	2,892	3,106	214	7.4	36,282,091	39,018,551	2,736,460	7.5	965	966	1	0.1
Manufacturing	1,776	1,767	-9	-0.5	24,027,240	25,874,595	1,847,355	7.7	1,041	1,126	85	8.2
Wholesale Trade	2,736	2,739	3	0.1	41,176,659	43,277,145	2,100,486	5.1	1,158	1,215	57	4.9
Retail Trade	4,722	4,781	59	1.2	32,736,825	32,978,618	241,793	0.7	533	531	-2	-0.4
Transportation & Warehousing	1,235	1,218	-17	-1.4	16,673,712	17,102,723	429,011	2.6	1,039	1,080	41	3.9
Information	451	435	-16	-3.5	4,448,449	4,571,428	122,979	2.8	759	808	49	6.5
Finance & Insurance	1,051	1,052	1	0.1	16,485,907	17,195,648	709,741	4.3	1,207	1,257	50	4.1
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	945	974	29	3.1	12,411,411	12,933,558	522,147	4.2	1,010	1,021	11	1.1
Professional & Technical Services	1,515	1,536	21	1.4	19,940,619	20,977,117	1,036,498	5.2	1,012	1,051	39	3.9
Mgmt. of Companies & Enterprises	209	212	3	1.4	4,370,910	4,406,173	35,263	0.8	1,609	1,599	-10	-0.6
Administrative & Waste Services	1,204	1,253	49	4.1	9,282,981	9,748,979	465,998	5.0	593	599	6	1.0
Educational Services	162	148	-14	-8.6	860,776	781,625	-79,151	-9.2	409	406	-3	-0.7
Health Care & Social Assistance	5,694	5,824	130	2.3	61,107,755	66,499,989	5,392,234	8.8	826	878	52	6.3
Ambulatory Health Care Services	2,022	2,140	118	5.8	28,063,145	32,784,395	4,721,250	16.8	1,068	1,178	110	10.3
Hospitals	1,627	1,622	-5	-0.3	20,635,657	20,932,505	296,848	1.4	976	993	17	1.7
Nursing & Res.Care Facilities	970	955	-15	-1.5	7,015,448	7,297,980	282,532	4.0	556	588	32	5.8
Social assistance	1,075	1,108	33	3.1	5,393,505	5,485,109	91,604	1.7	386	381	-5	-1.3
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	402	428	26	6.5	1,360,298	1,471,006	110,708	8.1	260	264	4	1.5
Accommodation & Food Services	3,942	4,039	97	2.5	15,331,173	16,351,442	1,020,269	6.7	299	311	12	4.0
Other Services	2,029	1,730	-299	-14.7	21,836,961	17,254,527	-4,582,434	-21.0	828	767	-61	-7.4
Total Government	5,724	5,781	57	1.0	\$68,530,928	\$69,680,321	\$1,149,393	1.7	\$921	\$927	\$6	0.7
Federal Government	648	629	-19	-2.9	10,798,239	10,865,635	67,396	0.6	1,282	1,329	47	3.7
State Government	713	708	-5	-0.7	9,606,700	9,496,417	-110,283	-1.1	1,036	1,032	-4	-0.4
Local Government	4,363	4,444	81	1.9	48,125,989	49,318,269	1,192,280	2.5	848	854	6	0.7
Local Government Education	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND

^aPreliminary.

^bNorth American Industry Classification System.

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Table 5: Laramie County Average Monthly Employment, Total Payroll, and Average Weekly Wage for First Quarter by Industry, 2013 and 2014^a

NAICS ^b Title	Average Monthly Employment			Total Payroll			Average Weekly Wage			
	First Quarter		Change	First Quarter		Change	First Quarter		Change	
	2013	2014	n	2013	2014	\$	2013	2014	\$	
Total, All Industries	43,476	44,696	1,220	2.8	\$462,507,155	\$13,626,176	\$818	\$819	\$1	0.1
Total Private	29,669	30,991	1,322	4.5	\$282,136,618	\$12,556,264	\$731	\$731	\$0	0.0
Agriculture	306	316	10	3.3	2,162,447	189,400	544	573	29	5.3
Mining	195	346	151	77.4	3,406,945	6,562,830	1,344	1,459	115	8.6
Utilities	143	157	14	9.8	2,879,500	3,339,730	1,549	1,636	87	5.6
Construction	2,685	2,876	191	7.1	27,569,396	31,945,047	790	854	64	8.1
Manufacturing	1,321	1,380	59	4.5	17,445,556	20,989,074	1,016	1,170	154	15.2
Wholesale Trade	925	976	51	5.5	12,006,926	13,320,398	998	1,050	52	5.2
Retail Trade	5,331	5,309	-22	-0.4	34,764,460	35,512,935	502	515	13	2.6
Transportation & Warehousing	2,428	2,944	516	21.3	25,898,122	4,919,488	820	805	-15	-1.8
Information	1,127	1,139	12	1.1	12,525,665	13,166,954	855	889	34	4.0
Finance & Insurance	1,630	1,665	35	2.1	20,911,411	23,049,662	987	1,065	78	7.9
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	545	564	19	3.5	5,801,848	5,837,265	819	796	-23	-2.8
Professional & Technical Services	1,593	1,614	21	1.3	19,939,163	21,273,851	963	1,014	51	5.3
Mgmt. of Companies & Enterprises	89	86	-3	-3.4	1,625,099	1,464,185	1,405	1,310	-95	-6.8
Administrative & Waste Services	1,497	1,558	61	4.1	9,268,662	9,408,249	476	465	-11	-2.3
Educational Services	258	256	-2	-0.8	1,525,996	1,616,253	455	486	31	6.8
Health Care & Social Assistance	3,966	4,031	65	1.6	40,888,763	41,873,771	793	799	6	0.8
Ambulatory Health Care Services	1,964	2,016	52	2.6	28,385,818	29,181,686	1,112	1,113	1	0.1
Nursing & Res. Care Facilities	850	860	10	1.2	6,208,902	6,391,324	562	572	10	1.8
Hospitals & Social Assistance	1,150	1,155	5	0.4	6,294,043	6,300,761	421	420	-1	-0.3
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	270	269	-1	-0.4	863,328	1,046,053	246	299	53	21.5
Accommodation & Food Services	4,075	4,253	178	4.4	33,595,208	21,886,505	634	396	-238	-37.5
Other Services	1,287	1,251	-36	-2.8	9,058,123	9,230,663	541	568	27	5.0
Total Government	13,807	13,706	-101	-0.7	\$180,370,537	\$181,440,449	\$1,005	\$1,018	\$13	1.3
Federal Government	2,568	2,530	-38	-1.5	42,168,168	42,857,684	1,263	1,303	40	3.2
State Government	4,049	3,988	-61	-1.5	58,149,355	57,660,125	1,105	1,112	7	0.6
Local Government	7,190	7,188	-2	-0.0	80,053,014	80,922,640	856	866	10	1.2
Local Government Education	3,779	3,817	38	1.0	38,156,627	39,584,631	777	798	21	2.7

^aPreliminary.^bNorth American Industry Classification System.

Source: Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, developed through a cooperative program between Research & Planning and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Extract date: July 2014.

Table 6: Wyoming Average Monthly Employment, Total Payroll, and Average Weekly Wage for First Quarter by Industry, 2013 and 2014^a

NAICS ^b Title	Average Monthly Employment				Total Payroll				Average Weekly Wage			
	First Quarter		Change		First Quarter		Change		First Quarter		Change	
	2013	2014	n	%	2013	2014	\$	%	2013	2014	\$	%
Total, All Industries	270,881	273,943	3,062	1.1	\$3,024,233,488	\$3,121,576,339	\$97,342,851	3.2	\$859	\$877	\$18	2.1
Total Private	203,731	207,127	3,396	1.7	\$2,275,948,452	\$2,364,971,685	\$89,023,233	3.9	\$859	\$878	\$19	2.2
Agriculture	2,262	2,307	45	2.0	16,696,058	17,871,382	1,175,324	7.0	568	596	28	4.9
Mining	26,477	26,843	366	1.4	578,160,686	608,969,036	30,808,350	5.3	1,680	1,745	65	3.9
Utilities	2,470	2,451	-19	-0.8	46,264,319	48,870,631	2,606,312	5.6	1,441	1,534	93	6.5
Construction	19,129	20,367	1,238	6.5	221,343,070	242,222,540	20,879,470	9.4	890	915	25	2.8
Manufacturing	9,271	9,580	309	3.3	132,487,032	148,169,451	15,682,419	11.8	1,099	1,190	91	8.3
Wholesale Trade	9,068	9,263	195	2.2	127,598,682	132,457,281	4,858,599	3.8	1,082	1,100	18	1.7
Retail Trade	28,459	28,618	159	0.6	188,179,967	191,745,349	3,565,382	1.9	509	515	6	1.2
Transportation & Warehousing	9,627	10,182	555	5.8	112,394,839	123,285,714	10,890,875	9.7	898	931	33	3.7
Information	3,785	3,756	-29	-0.8	39,564,150	40,164,061	599,911	1.5	804	823	19	2.4
Finance & Insurance	6,723	6,737	14	0.2	93,638,222	98,924,393	5,286,171	5.6	1,071	1,130	59	5.5
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	4,151	4,289	138	3.3	46,394,267	50,661,582	4,267,315	9.2	860	909	49	5.7
Professional & Technical Services	9,302	9,387	85	0.9	117,724,953	126,653,755	8,928,802	7.6	974	1,038	64	6.6
Mgmt. of Companies & Enterprises	1,047	1,003	-44	-4.2	48,072,715	27,819,964	-20,252,751	-42.1	3,532	2,134	-1,398	-39.6
Administrative & Waste Services	6,726	6,892	166	2.5	50,331,400	51,603,349	1,271,949	2.5	576	576	0	0.0
Educational Services	1,787	1,723	-64	-3.6	12,170,375	12,347,377	177,002	1.5	524	551	27	5.2
Health Care & Social Assistance	23,819	23,923	104	0.4	223,441,864	230,108,253	6,666,389	3.0	722	740	18	2.5
Ambulatory Health Care Services	9,233	9,523	290	3.1	118,916,224	125,025,121	6,108,897	5.1	991	1,010	19	1.9
Hospitals	3,049	3,005	-44	-1.4	36,931,545	37,436,733	505,188	1.4	932	958	26	2.8
Nursing & Res. Care Facilities	4,601	4,491	-110	-2.4	32,350,700	32,096,419	-254,281	-0.8	541	550	9	1.7
Social Assistance	6,937	6,904	-33	-0.5	35,243,395	35,549,980	306,585	0.9	391	396	5	1.3
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	2,436	2,480	44	1.8	10,586,796	12,035,686	1,448,890	13.7	334	373	39	11.7
Accommodation & Food Services	29,045	29,636	591	2.0	140,775,752	135,821,329	-4,954,423	-3.5	373	353	-20	-5.4
Other Services	8,147	7,689	-458	-5.6	70,123,305	65,240,552	-4,882,753	-7.0	662	653	-9	-1.4
Total Government	67,150	66,815	-335	-0.5	\$748,285,036	\$756,604,654	\$8,319,618	1.1	\$857	\$871	\$14	1.6
Federal Government	6,981	6,936	-45	-0.6	104,670,713	107,982,895	3,312,182	3.2	1,153	1,198	45	3.9
State Government	13,238	13,068	-170	-1.3	172,286,846	171,360,923	-925,923	-0.5	1,001	1,009	8	0.8
State Government Education	3,564	3,551	-14	-0.4	44,066,524	44,495,335	428,811	1.0	951	964	13	1.4
Local Government	46,931	46,811	-120	-0.3	471,327,477	477,260,836	5,933,359	1.3	773	784	11	1.4
Local Government Education	24,733	24,651	-82	-0.3	237,393,828	239,323,595	1,929,767	0.8	738	747	8	1.1
Hospitals	6,996	7,041	45	0.6	92,195,391	95,025,076	2,829,685	3.1	1,014	1,038	24	2.4

^aPreliminary.

^bNorth American Industry Classification System.

Source: Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, developed through a cooperative program between Research & Planning and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Extract date: July 2014.

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Accommodation & food services gained 591 jobs (2.0%), but its total payroll fell by \$5.0 million (-3.5%). Employment in food services & drinking places rose by more than 250 jobs and employment in accommodation rose by more than 300 jobs.

Employment in transportation & warehousing grew by 555 jobs (5.8%) and its total payroll rose by \$10.9 million (9.7%). Job gains in warehousing & storage (more than 350 jobs), truck transportation (approximately 200 jobs), and support activities for transportation (approximately 100 jobs) were partially offset by job losses in air transportation (more than 150 jobs).

After losing jobs for six consecutive quarters, the mining sector turned around and gained 366 jobs (1.4%). Total payroll in mining grew by \$30.8 million (5.3%). Although coal mining employment fell by more than 250 jobs, large job gains were seen in support activities for oil & gas operations (more than 300 jobs) and drilling oil & gas wells (more than 300 jobs).

Manufacturing added 309 jobs (3.3%) and its total payroll increased by \$15.7 million (11.8%). Employment rose in petroleum & coal products manufacturing (nearly 150 jobs), computer & electronic product manufacturing (approximately 100 jobs) and wood product manufacturing (more than 50 jobs).

Employment fell by 458 jobs (-5.6%) in other services and its total payroll decreased by \$4.9 million (-7.0%). Repair & maintenance services lost approximately 400 jobs and smaller job losses were seen in personal & laundry services and membership associations & organizations.

State government lost 170 jobs (-1.3%) and its total payroll fell by \$0.9 million (-0.5%). Small job losses were seen in many different state agencies.

Local government employment fell by 120 jobs (-0.3%), but its total payroll rose by \$5.9 million (1.3%). Job losses were seen in education (including public school districts and community colleges; -82 jobs, or -0.3%) and public administration (including cities, towns, & counties; more than 100 jobs). Employment in public hospitals grew by 45 jobs (0.6%).

In summary, job growth accelerated in first quarter 2014 and the mining sector (including oil & gas) started gaining jobs again. Construction employment rose rapidly and job growth continued in accommodation & food services and transportation & warehousing. Employment fell slightly in all levels of government (federal, state, and local). Growth was mixed across the state's 23 counties, with solid job gains reported in Laramie, Teton, Campbell, Natrona, and Carbon counties, and job losses seen in Fremont, Sweetwater, Uinta, and Sublette counties.

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Total Wages, Average Monthly Employment, and Average Monthly Wage Changes for Wyoming by Year/Quarter: 2005Q2 to 2014Q2

Year/Quarter	Total Wages	% Change	Avg. Monthly Employment	% Change	Avg. Monthly Wage	% Change
2005/2	\$2,068,675,609		258,031		\$2,672.39	
2006/2	\$2,389,394,775	15.5%	268,726	4.1%	\$2,963.86	10.9%
2005/3	\$2,188,006,458		263,747		\$2,765.28	
2006/3	\$2,511,603,105	14.8%	274,060	3.9%	\$3,054.81	10.5%
2005/4	\$2,283,976,604		259,256		\$2,936.58	
2006/4	\$2,674,775,271	17.1%	270,498	4.3%	\$3,296.11	12.2%
2006/1	\$2,206,882,734		254,302		\$2,892.73	
2007/1	\$2,528,871,913	14.6%	266,599	4.8%	\$3,161.89	9.3%
2006/2	\$2,389,394,775		268,726		\$2,963.86	
2007/2	\$2,679,641,341	12.1%	278,792	3.7%	\$3,203.87	8.1%
2006/3	\$2,511,603,105		274,060		\$3,054.81	
2007/3	\$2,712,325,140	8.0%	284,317	3.7%	\$3,179.93	4.1%
2006/4	\$2,674,775,271		270,498		\$3,296.11	
2007/4	\$2,976,397,551	11.3%	280,888	3.8%	\$3,532.13	7.2%
2007/1	\$2,528,871,913		266,599		\$3,161.89	
2008/1	\$2,798,237,273	10.7%	276,195	3.6%	\$3,377.13	6.8%
2007/2	\$2,679,641,341		278,792		\$3,203.87	
2008/2	\$2,918,008,721	8.9%	287,780	3.2%	\$3,379.91	5.5%
2007/3	\$2,712,325,140		284,317		\$3,179.93	
2008/3	\$2,985,771,294	10.1%	293,895	3.4%	\$3,386.44	6.5%
2007/4	\$2,976,397,551		280,888		\$3,532.13	
2008/4	\$3,177,223,682	6.7%	287,478	2.3%	\$3,684.02	4.3%
2008/1	\$2,798,237,273		276,195		\$3,377.13	
2009/1	\$2,764,364,307	-1.2%	273,471	-1.0%	\$3,369.48	-0.2%
2008/2	\$2,918,008,721		287,780		\$3,379.91	
2009/2	\$2,773,191,493	-5.0%	277,897	-3.4%	\$3,326.40	-1.6%
2008/3	\$2,985,771,294		293,895		\$3,386.44	
2009/3	\$2,736,056,780	-8.4%	278,234	-5.3%	\$3,277.88	-3.2%
2008/4	\$3,177,223,682		287,478		\$3,684.02	
2009/4	\$2,911,594,084	-8.4%	269,439	-6.3%	\$3,602.04	-2.2%
2009/1	\$2,764,364,307		273,471		\$3,369.48	
2010/1	\$2,627,558,836	-4.9%	260,726	-4.7%	\$3,359.29	-0.3%
2009/2	\$2,773,191,493		277,897		\$3,326.40	
2010/2	\$2,802,848,365	1.1%	273,044	-1.7%	\$3,421.73	2.9%
2009/3	\$2,736,056,780		278,234		\$3,277.88	
2010/3	\$2,866,694,334	4.8%	279,429	0.4%	\$3,419.71	4.3%
2009/4	\$2,911,594,084		269,439		\$3,602.04	
2010/4	\$3,087,069,661	6.0%	272,511	1.1%	\$3,776.08	4.8%
2010/1	\$2,627,558,836		260,726		\$3,359.29	
2011/1	\$2,769,072,169	5.4%	263,558	1.1%	\$3,502.17	4.3%
2010/2	\$2,802,848,365		273,044		\$3,421.73	
2011/2	\$2,933,492,659	4.7%	275,169	0.8%	\$3,553.56	3.9%
2010/3	\$2,866,694,334		279,429		\$3,419.71	
2011/3	\$3,053,914,162	6.5%	282,231	1.0%	\$3,606.87	5.5%
2010/4	\$3,087,069,661		272,511		\$3,776.08	
2011/4	\$3,165,745,021	2.5%	278,015	2.0%	\$3,795.65	0.5%
2011/1	\$2,769,072,169		263,558		\$3,502.17	
2012/1	\$2,991,246,352	8.0%	270,073	2.5%	\$3,691.90	5.4%
2011/2	\$2,933,492,659		275,169		\$3,553.56	
2012/2	\$3,074,207,136	4.8%	281,192	2.2%	\$3,644.26	2.6%

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Total Wages, Average Monthly Employment, and Average Monthly Wage Changes for Wyoming by Year/Quarter: 2005Q2 to 2014Q2

Year/Quarter	Total Wages	% Change	Avg. Monthly Employment	% Change	Avg. Monthly Wage	% Change
2011/3	\$3,053,914,162		282,231		\$3,606.87	
2012/3	\$3,060,122,560	0.2%	284,180	0.7%	\$3,589.42	-0.5%
2011/4	\$3,165,745,021		278,015		\$3,795.65	
2012/4	\$3,294,064,060	4.1%	278,934	0.3%	\$3,936.49	3.7%
2012/1	\$2,991,246,352		270,073		\$3,691.90	
2013/1	\$3,024,233,488	1.1%	270,881	0.3%	\$3,721.48	0.8%
2012/2	\$3,074,207,136		281,192		\$3,644.26	
2013/2	\$3,093,096,086	0.6%	281,707	0.2%	\$3,659.94	0.4%
2012/3	\$3,060,122,560		284,180		\$3,589.42	
2013/3	\$3,119,244,931	1.9%	285,726	0.5%	\$3,638.97	1.4%
2012/4	\$3,294,064,060		278,934		\$3,936.49	
2013/4	\$3,344,359,716	1.5%	280,701	0.6%	\$3,971.44	0.9%
2013/1	\$3,024,233,488		270,881		\$3,721.48	
2014/1	\$3,124,158,426	3.3%	274,050	1.2%	\$3,799.99	2.1%
2013/2	\$3,093,096,086		281,707		\$3,659.94	
2014/2(p)	\$3,241,566,139	4.8%	286,269	1.6%	\$3,774.50	3.1%

(p) Preliminary.

Source: Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages.

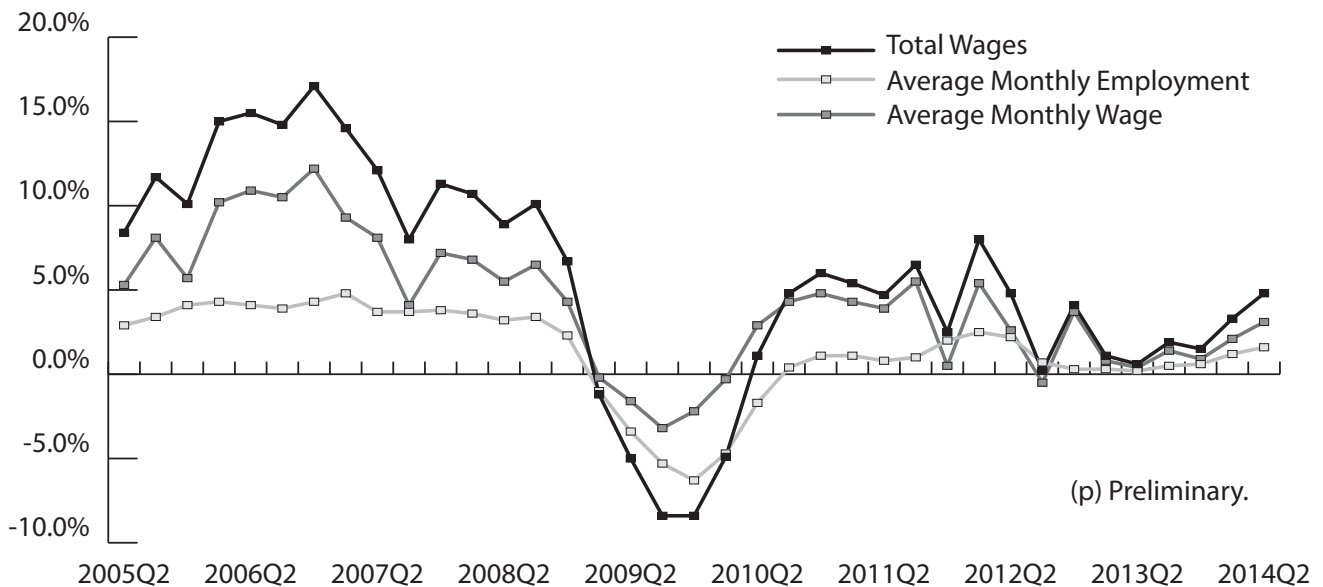


Figure: Over-the-Year Change for Total Wages, Average Monthly Employment, and Average Monthly Wage for Wyoming by Year/Quarter: 2005Q2 to 2014Q2

A Closer Look: Ambulatory Health Care Services in Natrona County

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This article compares the changes in the number of businesses, average number of employees, total quarterly payroll, and the average monthly wage for one area of Natrona County's health care industry, Ambulatory Health Care Services, from second quarter 2005 (2005Q2) to second quarter 2013 (2013Q2).

Some businesses in this category include offices of physicians, offices of dentists, offices of chiropractors, offices of optometrists, offices of specialty therapists, emergency medical centers, medical laboratories, diagnostic imaging centers, and home health care services.

The Table (see page 14) contains the complete list of these 20 groups, which are categorized using the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS). This classification system is utilized by the Unemployment Insurance (UI) and the Quarterly Census of Employment & Wages (QCEW) programs, which were used as the basis of information for this article. The period analyzed covered eight years, comparing some of the changes that occurred from second quarter 2005 (2005Q2) to second quarter 2013 (2013Q2).

Number of Businesses

According to UI records there were approximately 163 businesses in Ambulatory Health Care Services in 2005Q2 and by 2013Q2 that number had risen to about 200. During that time period, about 76 new businesses opened; however, approximately 30 employers closed their operations.

Average Number of Employees

The average number of people employed in Natrona County in Ambulatory Health Care Services increased by nearly 38% during this time. For 2005Q2, average employment was around 1,577; eight years later that number had grown to about 2,178, an increase of 601 employees.

Total Quarterly Payroll

During this period the total quarterly payroll grew from \$19 million in 2005Q2 to \$33 million in 2013Q2 (\$14 million, or 74.6%).

Average Monthly Wage

In 2005Q2, the average monthly wage for employees in Ambulatory Health Care Services was at \$3,983 and in 2013Q2 this amount rose to \$5,036, an increase of \$1,052 per month, or 26.4%.

Growth

Of the 20 health care services involved, 11 expanded in all four areas (number of businesses, number of people employed, total payroll, and average monthly wage) from 2005Q2 to 2013Q2. Those included: offices of physicians (which had the highest increase in number of employees at about 250 and the highest total payroll increase), offices of dentists (which had the second highest increase in total payroll), offices of chiropractors, offices of mental health practitioners, offices of specialty therapists, offices of miscellaneous health practitioners, emergency medical

Table: North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Codes and Titles in Ambulatory Health Care Services in Natrona County from Second Quarter 2005 to Second Quarter 2013

NAICS Code	NAICS Title
621	Ambulatory Health Care Services
621111	Offices of Physicians
621112	Offices of Physicians, Mental Health Specialists
621210	Offices of Dentists
621310	Offices of Chiropractors
621320	Offices of Optometrists
621330	Offices of Mental Health Practitioners (except Physicians)
621340	Offices of Physical, Occupational and Speech Therapists, & Audiologists
621391	Offices of Podiatrists
621399	Offices of All Other Miscellaneous Health Practitioners
621410	Family Planning Centers
621420	Outpatient Mental Health & Substance Abuse Centers
621492	Kidney Dialysis Centers
621493	Emergency Medical Centers
621498	All Other Outpatient Care Centers
621511	Medical Laboratories
621512	Diagnostic Imaging Centers
621610	Home Health Care Services
621910	Ambulance Services
621991	Blood & Organ Banks
621999	All Other Miscellaneous Ambulatory Health Care Services

centers, and four other health services categories. The following health care services expanded in three of the areas studied: offices of optometrists and miscellaneous ambulatory health care services (which had the second highest growth of approximately 90 employees).

Natrona County has businesses in all the categories listed by NAICS codes in the Table, and most of these industries within Ambulatory Health Care Services have experienced growth in at least one and usually more of the categories examined throughout this period.

New Research: Labor Shortages in Wyoming and the Nation

Recent media coverage of the construction industry suggests a shortage of workers, especially subcontractors, in the Rocky Mountain and High Plains region. The wealth of anecdotal evidence prompted Research & Planning (R&P) to closely examine construction industry growth, wages, and employment. A white paper examining labor shortages in Wyoming is forthcoming from R&P. A link will be provided in the November 2014 issue of *Wyoming Labor Force Trends*.

Table: Occupational Shortages in Wyoming, the Region, and the Nation as of May 2013

Wyoming	Region	Nation
Crane & Tower Operators	Crane & Tower Operators	Crane & Tower Operators
Drywall & Ceiling Tile Installers	Electrical Power-Line Installers & Repairers	Electrical Power-Line Installers and Repairers
Electrical Power-Line Installers & Repairers	Excavating & Loading Machine & Dragline Operators	Elevators Installers & Repairers
Electricians	Operating Engineers & Other Construction Equipment Operators	Insulation Workers, Mechanical
Excavating & Loading Machine and Dragline Operators	Security & Fire Alarm Systems Installers	Paving, Surfacing, & Tamping Equipment Operators
Heating, Air Conditioning, & Refrigeration Mechanics		Reinforcing Iron & Rebar Workers
Insulation Workers, Mechanical		Security & Fire Alarm Systems Installers
Operating Engineers & Other Construction Equipment Operators		
Telecommunication Line Installers & Repairers		

Excerpt from forthcoming white paper, "Occupational Shortages in the Construction Industry," by K. Faler, 2014, Research & Planning, Wyoming Department of Workforce Services.

Persons Working in Jobs Covered by Wyoming State Unemployment Insurance, Second Quarter 2014

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The number of new persons not previously found working in Wyoming increased from previous year levels for the sixth time in nine quarters.

The mean quarterly wage for persons working one job in Wyoming increased from \$10,424 in second quarter 2013 (2013Q2) to \$10,833 in second quarter 2014 (2014Q2), an increase of 3.9%. Mean quarterly wages also increased from previous year levels for all others holding two or more jobs. The number of persons working more than one job increased slightly over the year.

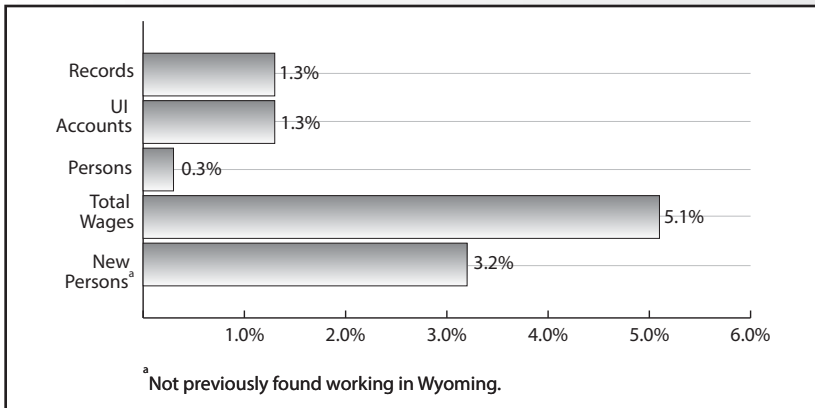


Figure 1: Percentage Change from Previous Year, Wyoming Wage Records, Second Quarter 2014

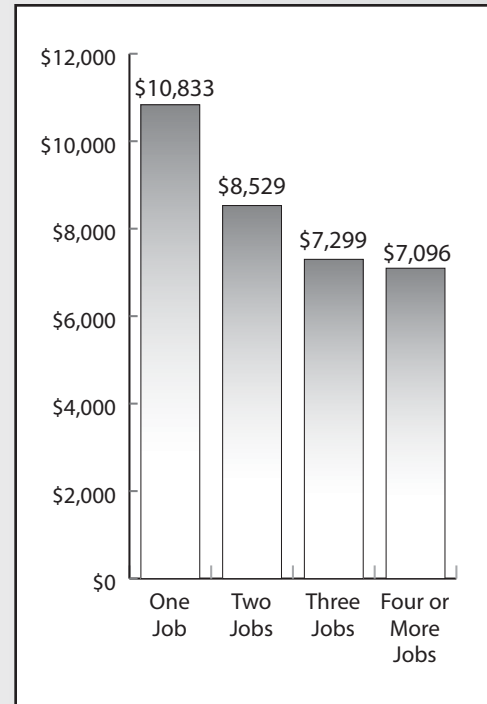


Figure 2: Mean Quarterly Wages in Wyoming by Number of Jobs, Second Quarter 2014

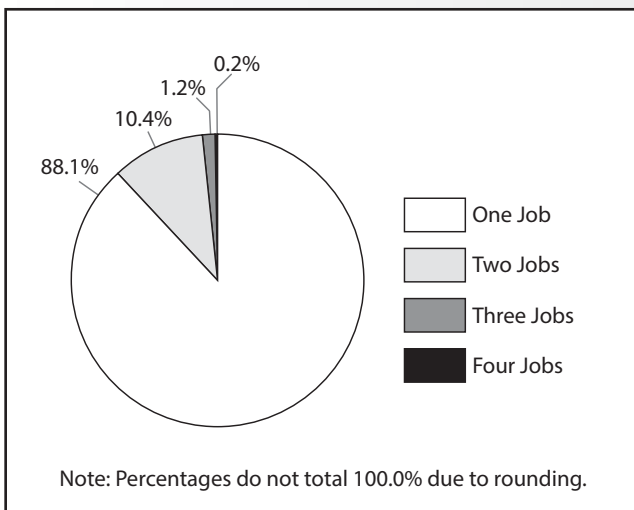


Figure 3: Percentage of Total Persons by Number of Jobs Worked in Wyoming, Second Quarter 2014

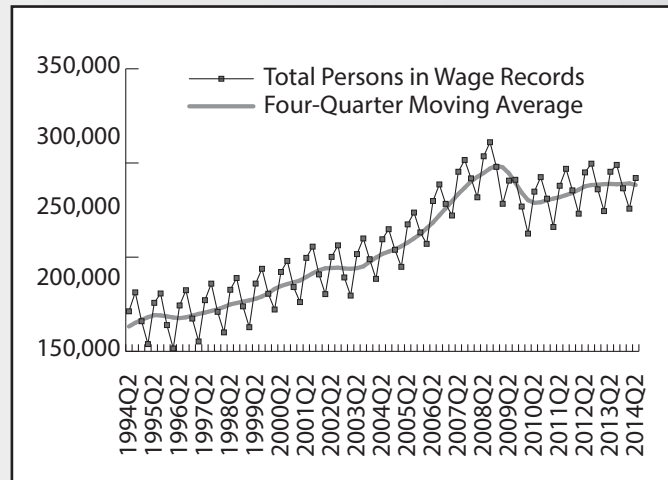


Figure 4: Running Total of Persons in Wyoming Wage Records, Second Quarter 1994 (1994Q2) to Second Quarter 2014 (2014Q2)

Quarterly Turnover Statistics by Industry, First Quarter 2014

The turnover rate for first quarter 2014 was 25.9%, an increase from 23.7% in first quarter 2013. The largest over-the-year increases were seen in retail trade (10.6%) and wholesale trade, transportation, utilities, & warehousing (5.1%). Turnover data dating back to 1992 can be found online at <http://doe.state.wy.us/LMI/turnover.htm>.

Major Sector	Industry		(H)	(H)+(B)	(B)	(E)	(E)+(B)	(C)	(H+E+B+C)	Turnover Rate ^a	Change Prior Year
			Hire Only	Total Hires	Both Hire and Exit	Exit Only	Total Exits	Continuous Employment	Total		
Goods Producing	Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, & Hunting	Transactions ^b	286	389	103	263	366	2,134	2,786	23.4	-1.2
		Rates	10.3	14.0	3.7	9.4	13.1	76.6	100.0		
	Mining	Transactions	2,389	3,325	936	2,461	3,397	23,175	28,961	20.0	1.2
		Rates	8.2	11.5	3.2	8.5	11.7	80.0	100.0		
	Construction	Transactions	3,805	5,838	2,033	3,739	5,772	16,488	26,065	36.7	0.6
		Rates	14.6	22.4	7.8	14.3	22.1	63.3	100.0		
	Manufacturing	Transactions	690	959	269	1,104	1,373	8,680	10,743	19.2	0.6
		Rates	6.4	8.9	2.5	10.3	12.8	80.8	100.0		
	Wholesale Trade, Transp., Utilities, & Warehousing	Transactions	2,260	3,081	821	2,901	3,722	17,846	23,828	25.1	5.1
		Rates	9.5	12.9	3.4	12.2	15.6	74.9	100.0		
Retail Trade	Transactions	3,527	5,350	1,823	8,427	10,250	21,529	35,306	39.0	10.6	
	Rates	10.0	15.2	5.2	23.9	29.0	61.0	100.0			
Information	Transactions	358	453	95	399	494	3,929	4,781	17.8	3.6	
	Rates	7.5	9.5	2.0	8.3	10.3	82.2	100.0			
Financial Activities	Transactions	944	1,219	275	859	1,134	10,201	12,279	16.9	-0.4	
	Rates	7.7	9.9	2.2	7.0	9.2	83.1	100.0			
Professional & Business Services	Transactions	2,915	4,662	1,747	2,682	4,429	14,875	22,219	33.1	2.3	
	Rates	13.1	21.0	7.9	12.1	19.9	66.9	100.0			
Educational Services	Transactions	2,046	2,631	585	1,396	1,981	28,700	32,727	12.3	0.4	
	Rates	6.3	8.0	1.8	4.3	6.1	87.7	100.0			
Health Services	Transactions	2,912	3,611	699	2,917	3,616	29,183	35,711	18.3	-0.4	
	Rates	8.2	10.1	2.0	8.2	10.1	81.7	100.0			
Leisure & Hospitality	Transactions	6,094	9,355	3,261	6,217	9,478	25,447	41,019	38.0	-0.2	
	Rates	14.9	22.8	7.9	15.2	23.1	62.0	100.0			
Other Services	Transactions	1,035	1,439	404	1,091	1,495	6,563	9,093	27.8	2.3	
	Rates	11.4	15.8	4.4	12.0	16.4	72.2	100.0			
Public Admin.	Transactions	1,098	1,403	305	1,146	1,451	18,674	21,223	12.0	0.4	
	Rates	5.2	6.6	1.4	5.4	6.8	88.0	100.0			
Unclassified	Transactions	242	324	82	53	135	61	438	86.1	24.1	
	Rates	55.3	74.0	18.7	12.1	30.8	13.9	100.0			
Total	Transactions	30,601	44,039	13,438	35,655	49,093	227,485	307,179	25.9	2.2	
	Rates	10.0	14.3	4.4	11.6	16.0	74.1	100.0			

(H) Hire Only. (B) Both Hire and Exit. (E) Exit Only. (C) Continuous Employment.

^aTurnover rate equals (H+E+B)/Total.

^bJobs worked at any time during the quarter.

Historical turnover data can be found online at <http://doe.state.wy.us/LMI/turnover.htm>.

Wyoming Unemployment Rate at 4.6% in August 2014

by: David Bullard, Senior Economist

The Research & Planning section of the Wyoming Department of Workforce Services reported that the state’s seasonally adjusted¹ unemployment rate rose from 4.4% in July 2014 to 4.6% in August (not a statistically significant change). Wyoming’s unemployment rate was unchanged from its August 2013 level, but significantly lower than the current U.S. unemployment rate of 6.1%. Seasonally adjusted employment of Wyoming residents decreased slightly, falling by an estimated 946 individuals (-0.3%) from July to August.

Most county unemployment rates followed their normal seasonal pattern and fell slightly from July to August. The largest decreases occurred in Fremont (down from 5.8% to 5.1%), Platte (down from 5.3% to 4.7%), and Johnson (down

from 4.9% to 4.4%) counties.

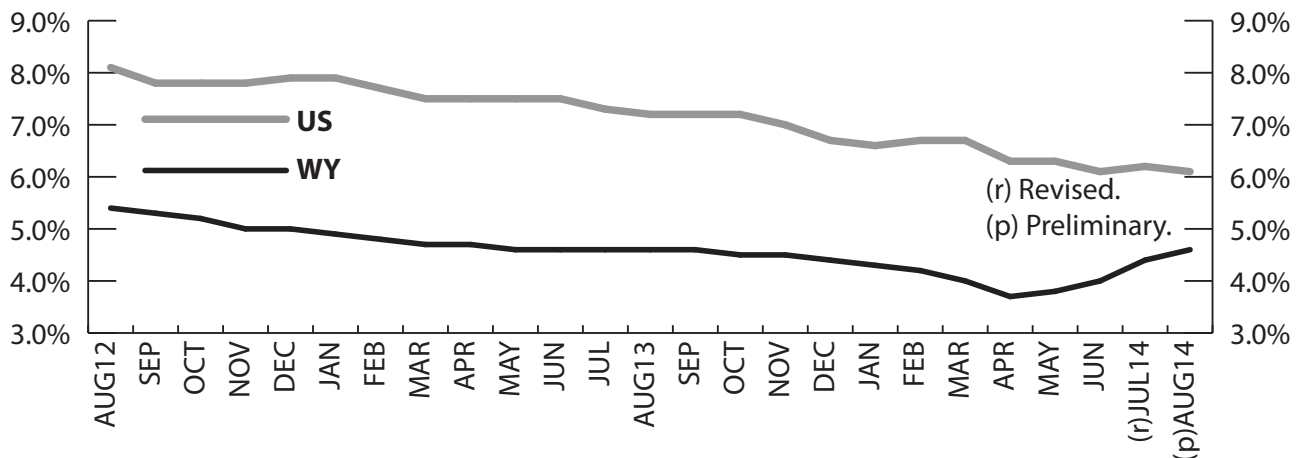
From August 2013 to August 2014, unemployment rates fell in 12 counties, increased slightly in nine counties and were unchanged in two counties. The largest decreases were seen in Fremont (down from 5.7% to 5.1%), Campbell (down from 3.6% to 3.2%), and Johnson (down from 4.7% to 4.4%) counties. Unemployment rates increased slightly in Weston (up from 3.6% to 4.2%) and Albany (up from 4.0% to 4.3%) counties.

Fremont County posted the highest unemployment rate in August (5.1%). It was followed by Lincoln (4.9%), Big Horn (4.7%), Laramie (4.7%), and Platte (4.7%) counties. The lowest unemployment rates were found in Sublette (2.8%), Teton (3.0%), and Converse (3.1%) counties.

Total nonfarm employment (measured by place of work) rose from 297,200 in August 2013 to 301,900 in August 2014, a gain of 4,700 jobs (1.6%).

¹ Seasonal adjustment is a statistical procedure to remove the impact of normal regularly recurring events (such as weather, major holidays, and the opening and closing of schools) from economic time series to better understand changes in economic conditions from month to month.

Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rate



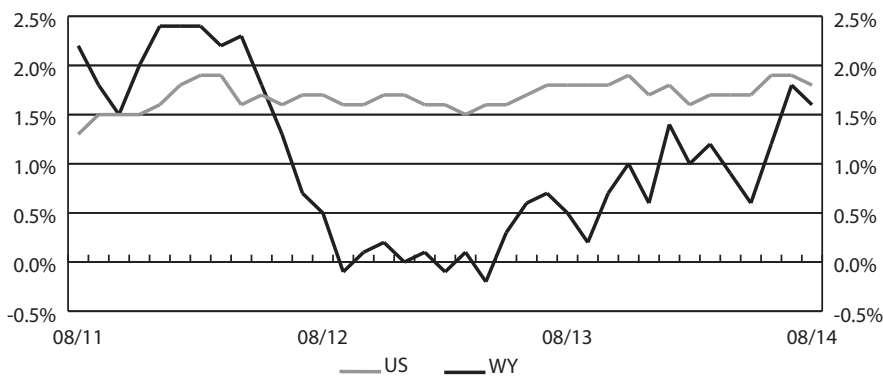
Current Employment Statistics (CES) Estimates and Research & Planning's Short-Term Projections, August 2014

by: David Bullard, Senior Economist

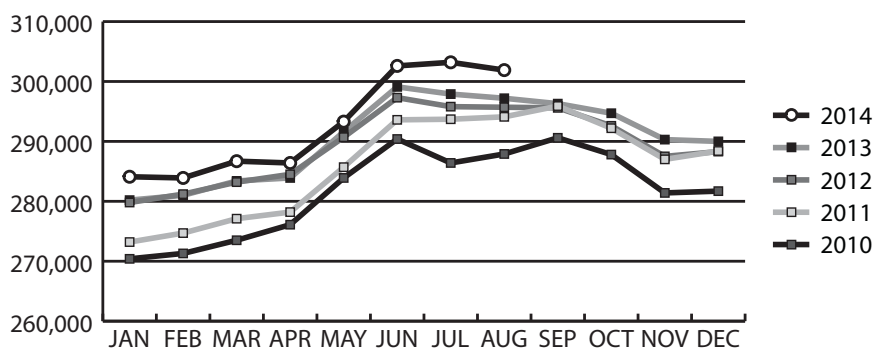
Industry Sector	Research & Planning's Short-Term Projections	Current Employment Statistics (CES) Estimates	N Difference	% Difference
Total Nonfarm	301,247	301,900	653	0.2%
Natural Resources & Mining	27,590	27,400	-190	-0.7%
Construction	25,290	23,900	-1,390	-5.8%
Manufacturing	9,966	9,800	-166	-1.7%
Wholesale Trade	9,468	9,600	132	1.4%
Retail Trade	31,032	32,900	1,868	5.7%
Transportation & Utilities	15,872	15,900	28	0.2%
Information	3,857	3,800	-57	-1.5%
Financial Activities	11,376	11,300	-76	-0.7%
Professional & Business Services	19,353	19,300	-53	-0.3%
Educational & Health Services	26,474	26,400	-74	-0.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	41,050	40,900	-150	-0.4%
Other Services	11,616	12,500	884	7.1%
Government	68,303	68,200	-103	-0.2%

Projections were run in August 2014 and based on QCEW data through March 2014.

Nonagricultural Employment Growth (Percentage Change Over Previous Year)



Wyoming Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment



State Unemployment Rates August 2014 Seasonally Adjusted

State	Unemp. Rate
Puerto Rico	13.5
Georgia	8.1
Mississippi	7.9
Rhode Island	7.7
District of Columbia	7.6
Nevada	7.6
California	7.4
Michigan	7.4
Tennessee	7.4
Oregon	7.2
Arizona	7.1
Kentucky	7.1
Alabama	6.9
Alaska	6.8
North Carolina	6.8
Illinois	6.7
New Mexico	6.7
Connecticut	6.6
New Jersey	6.6
West Virginia	6.6
Delaware	6.5
Maryland	6.4
New York	6.4
South Carolina	6.4
Arkansas	6.3
Florida	6.3
Missouri	6.3
United States	6.1
Indiana	5.8
Louisiana	5.8
Massachusetts	5.8
Pennsylvania	5.8
Ohio	5.7
Maine	5.6
Virginia	5.6
Washington	5.6
Wisconsin	5.6
Texas	5.3
Colorado	5.1
Kansas	4.9
Idaho	4.7
Montana	4.7
Oklahoma	4.7
Wyoming	4.6
Iowa	4.5
New Hampshire	4.4
Hawaii	4.3
Minnesota	4.3
Vermont	4.1
Nebraska	3.6
South Dakota	3.6
Utah	3.6
North Dakota	2.8

Wyoming Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment

by: David Bullard, Senior Economist

	Employment in Thousands			Percent Change Total Employment	
	Aug 2014	Jul 2014	Aug 2013	Jul 2014	Aug 2013
	Aug 2014	Jul 2014	Aug 2013	Aug 2014	Aug 2014
CAMPBELL COUNTY					
TOTAL NONAG. WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT	28.9	28.5	27.5	1.4	5.1
TOTAL PRIVATE	24.6	24.4	23.3	0.8	5.6
GOODS PRODUCING	11.8	11.7	10.7	0.9	10.3
Natural Resources & Mining	8.3	8.3	7.8	0.0	6.4
Construction	2.9	2.8	2.3	3.6	26.1
Manufacturing	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.0	0.0
SERVICE PROVIDING	17.1	16.8	16.8	1.8	1.8
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	5.8	5.8	5.7	0.0	1.8
Information	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0
Financial Activities	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.0	0.0
Professional & Business Services	1.8	1.7	1.7	5.9	5.9
Educational & Health Services	1.1	1.1	1.1	0.0	0.0
Leisure & Hospitality	2.3	2.3	2.3	0.0	0.0
Other Services	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.0	0.0
GOVERNMENT	4.3	4.1	4.2	4.9	2.4

	Employment in Thousands			Percent Change Total Employment	
	Aug 2014	Jul 2014	Aug 2013	Jul 2014	Aug 2013
	Aug 2014	Jul 2014	Aug 2013	Aug 2014	Aug 2014
SWEETWATER COUNTY					
TOTAL NONAG. WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT	25.6	25.0	25.3	2.4	1.2
TOTAL PRIVATE	21.0	20.9	20.8	0.5	1.0
GOODS PRODUCING	9.0	9.0	8.9	0.0	1.1
Natural Resources & Mining	5.8	5.9	5.9	-1.7	-1.7
Construction	1.8	1.7	1.5	5.9	20.0
Manufacturing	1.4	1.4	1.5	0.0	-6.7
SERVICE PROVIDING	16.6	16.0	16.4	3.8	1.2
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	5.2	5.1	5.1	2.0	2.0
Information	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0
Financial Activities	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.0	-10.0
Professional & Business Services	1.2	1.2	1.1	0.0	9.1
Educational & Health Services	1.2	1.2	1.2	0.0	0.0
Leisure & Hospitality	2.5	2.5	2.6	0.0	-3.8
Other Services	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.0	14.3
GOVERNMENT	4.6	4.1	4.5	12.2	2.2

	Employment in Thousands			Percent Change Total Employment	
	Aug 2014	Jul 2014	Aug 2013	Jul 2014	Aug 2013
	Aug 2014	Jul 2014	Aug 2013	Aug 2014	Aug 2014
TETON COUNTY					
TOTAL NONAG. WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT	22.3	22.4	21.5	-0.4	3.7
TOTAL PRIVATE	20.0	20.1	19.3	-0.5	3.6
GOODS PRODUCING	2.3	2.3	2.0	0.0	15.0
Natural Resources, Mining & Construction	2.1	2.1	1.9	0.0	10.5
Manufacturing	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	100.0
SERVICE PROVIDING	20.0	20.1	19.5	-0.5	2.6
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	3.0	3.0	3.0	0.0	0.0
Information	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0
Financial Activities	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.0	0.0
Professional & Business Services	2.0	2.0	1.9	0.0	5.3
Educational & Health Services	1.3	1.3	1.2	0.0	8.3
Leisure & Hospitality	9.8	9.9	9.5	-1.0	3.2
Other Services	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.0	-16.7
GOVERNMENT	2.3	2.3	2.2	0.0	4.5

State Unemployment Rates August 2014 Not Seasonally Adjusted

State	Unemp. Rate
Puerto Rico	15.2
District of Columbia	8.5
Georgia	8.3
Rhode Island	7.8
Nevada	7.5
California	7.4
Mississippi	7.4
Tennessee	7.4
Arizona	7.3
Oregon	7.2
Alabama	7.1
North Carolina	7.0
South Carolina	7.0
Connecticut	6.9
New Mexico	6.9
Florida	6.7
Illinois	6.7
Michigan	6.7
Delaware	6.6
Maryland	6.6
West Virginia	6.6
Kentucky	6.5
New Jersey	6.5
Louisiana	6.4
Alaska	6.3
United States	6.3
Arkansas	6.2
Missouri	6.1
New York	6.1
Pennsylvania	6.1
Massachusetts	6.0
Virginia	5.7
Washington	5.7
Indiana	5.5
Texas	5.5
Ohio	5.3
Maine	5.2
Wisconsin	5.1
Colorado	4.8
Kansas	4.8
Oklahoma	4.6
Idaho	4.4
New Hampshire	4.3
Iowa	4.2
Montana	4.2
Hawaii	4.1
Wyoming	4.1
Vermont	4.0
Minnesota	3.8
Utah	3.7
Nebraska	3.4
South Dakota	3.3
North Dakota	2.4

Economic Indicators

by: David Bullard, Senior Economist

The number of discouraged workers in the U.S. fell by 10.5% from August 2013 to August 2014.

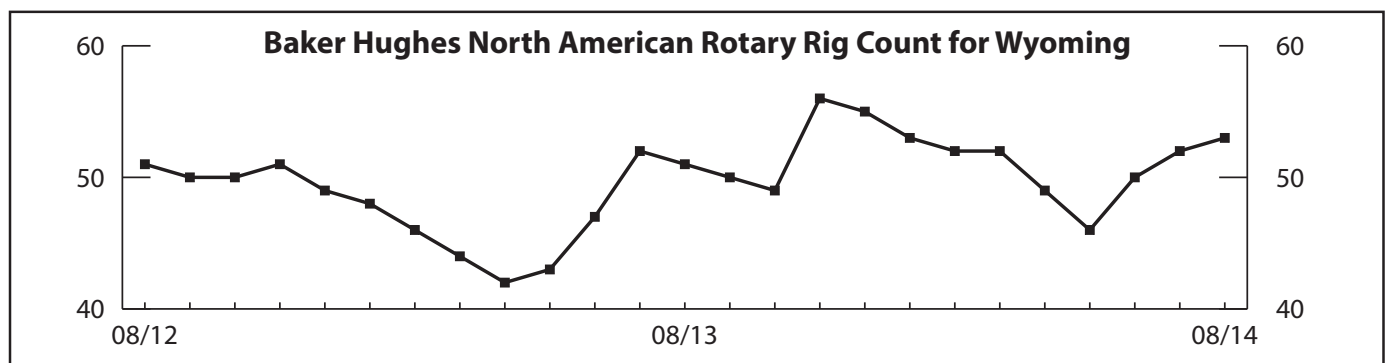
	Aug 2014 (p)	Jul 2014 (r)	Aug 2013 (b)	Percent Change Month	Year
Wyoming Total Nonfarm Employment	301,900	303,200	297,200	-0.4	1.6
Wyoming State Government	14,700	14,900	14,900	-1.3	-1.3
Laramie County Nonfarm Employment	47,000	47,200	46,800	-0.4	0.4
Natrona County Nonfarm Employment	42,700	42,700	42,300	0.0	0.9
Selected U.S. Employment Data					
U.S. Multiple Jobholders	6,819,000	6,787,000	6,776,000	0.5	0.6
As a percent of all workers	4.7%	4.6%	4.7%	N/A	N/A
U.S. Discouraged Workers	775,000	741,000	866,000	4.6	-10.5
U.S. Part Time for Economic Reasons	7,083,000	7,665,000	7,690,000	-7.6	-7.9
Wyoming Unemployment Insurance					
Weeks Compensated	9,102	11,741	12,791	-22.5	-28.8
Benefits Paid	\$3,289,119	\$4,238,442	\$4,623,227	-22.4	-28.9
Average Weekly Benefit Payment	\$361.36	\$360.99	\$361.44	0.1	0.0
State Insured Covered Jobs ¹	277,205	276,400	273,109	0.3	1.5
Insured Unemployment Rate	1.3%	1.4%	1.8%	N/A	N/A
Consumer Price Index (U) for All U.S. Urban Consumers (1982 to 1984 = 100)					
All Items	237.9	238.3	233.9	-0.2	1.7
Food & Beverages	243.5	242.7	237.3	0.3	2.6
Housing	234.6	234.5	228.6	0.0	2.6
Apparel	125.7	124.6	125.8	0.9	0.0
Transportation	218.3	221.9	219.2	-1.6	-0.4
Medical Care	435.8	435.9	426.9	0.0	2.1
Recreation (Dec. 1997=100)	115.3	115.8	115.3	-0.5	0.0
Education & Communication (Dec. 1997=100)	138.1	137.5	136.1	0.5	1.5
Other Goods & Services	408.9	408.5	402.4	0.1	1.6
Producer Prices (1982 to 1984 = 100)					
All Commodities	206.8	208.0	204.2	-0.6	1.3
Wyo. Bldg. Permits (New Privately Owned Housing Units Authorized)					
Total Units	124	173	167	-28.3	-25.7
Valuation	\$33,638,000	\$54,416,000	\$41,402,000	-38.2	-18.8
Single Family Homes	117	157	136	-25.5	-14.0
Valuation	\$32,965,000	\$53,037,000	\$39,414,000	-37.8	-16.4
Casper MSA ² Building Permits	22	22	50	0.0	-56.0
Valuation	\$8,645,000	\$5,108,000	\$7,375,000	69.2	17.2
Cheyenne MSA Building Permits	22	41	37	-46.3	-40.5
Valuation	\$4,223,000	\$8,123,000	\$6,031,000	-48.0	-30.0
Baker Hughes North American Rotary Rig Count for Wyoming	53	52	51	1.9	3.9

(p) Preliminary. (r) Revised. (b) Benchmarked.

¹Local Area Unemployment Statistics Program estimates.

²Metropolitan Statistical Area.

Note: Production worker hours and earnings data have been dropped from the Economic Indicators page because of problems with accuracy due to a small sample size and high item nonresponse. The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics will continue to publish these data online at <http://www.bls.gov/eag/eag.wy.htm>.



Wyoming County Unemployment Rates

by: Carola Cowan, BLS Programs Supervisor

Most county unemployment rates followed their normal seasonal pattern and fell slightly from July to August.

REGION	Labor Force			Employed			Unemployed			Unemployment Rates		
	Aug	Jul	Aug	Aug	Jul	Aug	Aug	Jul	Aug	Aug	Jul	Aug
County	2014	2014	2013	2014	2014	2013	2014	2014	2013	2014	2014	2013
	(p)	(r)	(b)	(p)	(r)	(b)	(p)	(r)	(b)	(p)	(r)	(b)
NORTHWEST	48,898	49,593	48,758	46,656	47,144	46,427	2,242	2,449	2,331	4.6	4.9	4.8
Big Horn	5,219	5,288	5,274	4,973	5,015	5,021	246	273	253	4.7	5.2	4.8
Fremont	19,810	19,906	19,790	18,790	18,759	18,671	1,020	1,147	1,119	5.1	5.8	5.7
Hot Springs	2,593	2,632	2,653	2,483	2,517	2,547	110	115	106	4.2	4.4	4.0
Park	17,018	17,414	16,696	16,331	16,701	16,034	687	713	662	4.0	4.1	4.0
Washakie	4,258	4,353	4,345	4,079	4,152	4,154	179	201	191	4.2	4.6	4.4
NORTHEAST	56,374	56,352	54,633	54,268	54,101	52,483	2,106	2,251	2,150	3.7	4.0	3.9
Campbell	28,380	28,040	27,419	27,458	27,064	26,437	922	976	982	3.2	3.5	3.6
Crook	3,682	3,744	3,524	3,537	3,587	3,390	145	157	134	3.9	4.2	3.8
Johnson	4,298	4,389	4,139	4,108	4,176	3,945	190	213	194	4.4	4.9	4.7
Sheridan	16,669	16,819	16,254	15,959	16,067	15,534	710	752	720	4.3	4.5	4.4
Weston	3,345	3,360	3,297	3,206	3,207	3,177	139	153	120	4.2	4.6	3.6
SOUTHWEST	68,868	68,452	67,585	66,259	65,696	65,073	2,609	2,756	2,512	3.8	4.0	3.7
Lincoln	8,213	8,249	7,904	7,814	7,826	7,526	399	423	378	4.9	5.1	4.8
Sublette	7,156	7,221	6,970	6,953	6,994	6,760	203	227	210	2.8	3.1	3.0
Sweetwater	25,346	24,741	25,411	24,347	23,682	24,458	999	1,059	953	3.9	4.3	3.8
Teton	16,901	17,059	16,289	16,395	16,542	15,792	506	517	497	3.0	3.0	3.1
Uinta	11,252	11,182	11,011	10,750	10,652	10,537	502	530	474	4.5	4.7	4.3
SOUTHEAST	77,084	77,819	76,371	73,562	74,116	72,997	3,522	3,703	3,374	4.6	4.8	4.4
Albany	17,860	18,044	17,762	17,090	17,217	17,044	770	827	718	4.3	4.6	4.0
Goshen	6,473	6,557	6,375	6,178	6,246	6,072	295	311	303	4.6	4.7	4.8
Laramie	47,071	47,425	46,739	44,871	45,147	44,639	2,200	2,278	2,100	4.7	4.8	4.5
Niobrara	1,479	1,499	1,333	1,421	1,440	1,283	58	59	50	3.9	3.9	3.8
Platte	4,201	4,294	4,162	4,002	4,066	3,959	199	228	203	4.7	5.3	4.9
CENTRAL	62,746	63,243	61,370	60,320	60,674	58,977	2,426	2,569	2,393	3.9	4.1	3.9
Carbon	8,652	8,756	8,173	8,306	8,388	7,838	346	368	335	4.0	4.2	4.1
Converse	8,679	8,699	8,276	8,409	8,408	8,013	270	291	263	3.1	3.3	3.2
Natrona	45,415	45,788	44,921	43,605	43,878	43,126	1,810	1,910	1,795	4.0	4.2	4.0
STATEWIDE	313,970	315,459	308,717	301,064	301,731	295,960	12,906	13,728	12,757	4.1	4.4	4.1

Statewide Seasonally Adjusted	4.6	4.4	4.6
U.S.....	6.3	6.5	7.3
U.S. Seasonally Adjusted.....	6.1	6.2	7.2

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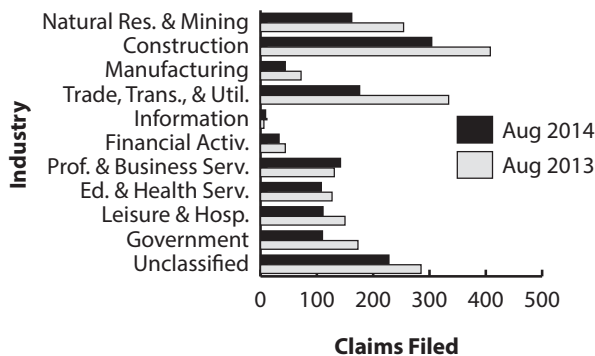
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Wyoming Normalized^a Unemployment Insurance Statistics: Initial Claims

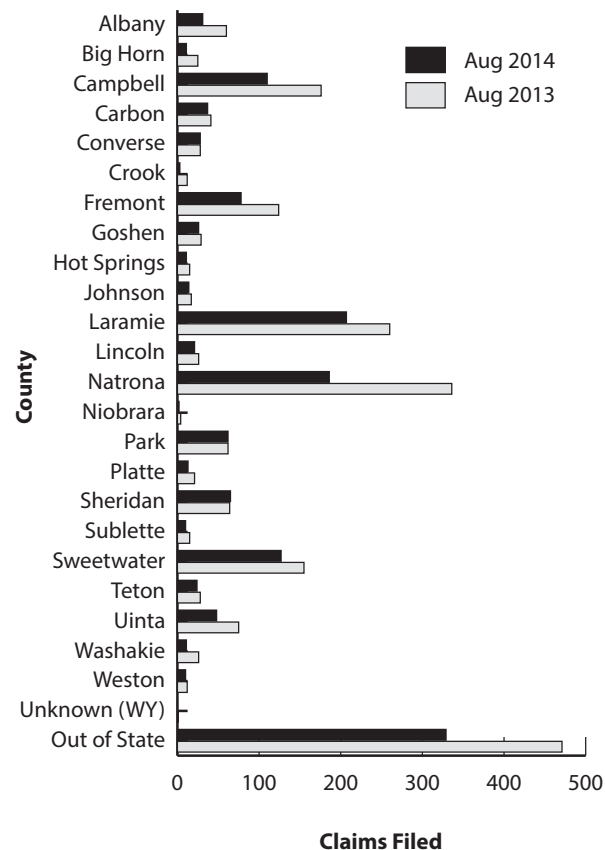
by: *Patrick Harris, Principal Analyst*

Initial claims decreased over the year (-29.8%) with large decreases in other services, except public administration (-72.7%), and trade, transportation, & utilities (-47.3%).

Initial Unemployment Insurance Claims by Industry, August 2014



Initial Unemployment Insurance Claims by County, August 2014



INITIAL CLAIMS

	Claims Filed		% Change		
	Aug 14	Jul 14 Aug 13	Aug 14 Aug 13	Aug 14 Aug 13	
Wyoming Statewide					
TOTAL CLAIMS FILED	1,462	1,495	2,082	-2.2	-29.8
TOTAL GOODS-PRODUCING	512	451	736	13.5	-30.4
Natural Res. & Mining	162	156	254	3.8	-36.2
Mining	156	139	246	12.2	-36.6
Oil & Gas Extraction	8	6	12	33.3	-33.3
Construction	304	264	408	15.2	-25.5
Manufacturing	44	29	72	51.7	-38.9
TOTAL SERVICE-PROVIDING	611	642	887	-4.8	-31.1
Trade, Transp., & Utilities	176	206	334	-14.6	-47.3
Wholesale Trade	43	40	147	7.5	-70.7
Retail Trade	92	109	117	-15.6	-21.4
Transp., Warehousing & Utilities	41	57	70	-28.1	-41.4
Information	9	12	6	-25.0	50.0
Financial Activities	33	45	44	-26.7	-25.0
Prof. & Business Svcs.	142	111	131	27.9	8.4
Educational & Health Svcs.	108	108	127	0.0	-15.0
Leisure & Hospitality	111	123	150	-9.8	-26.0
Other Svcs., exc. Public Admin.	24	30	88	-20.0	-72.7
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	110	171	173	-35.7	-36.4
Federal Government	31	34	32	-8.8	-3.1
State Government	10	15	27	-33.3	-63.0
Local Government	68	121	113	-43.8	-39.8
Local Education	21	32	20	-34.4	5.0
UNCLASSIFIED	228	230	285	-0.9	-20.0

Laramie County

	206	227	259	-9.3	-20.5
TOTAL CLAIMS FILED					
TOTAL GOODS-PRODUCING	68	56	81	21.4	-16.0
Construction	55	43	67	27.9	-17.9
TOTAL SERVICE-PROVIDING	106	132	148	-19.7	-28.4
Trade, Transp., & Utilities	28	36	54	-22.2	-48.1
Financial Activities	6	14	10	-57.1	-40.0
Prof. & Business Svcs.	58	49	23	18.4	152.2
Educational & Health Svcs.	12	13	26	-7.7	-53.8
Leisure & Hospitality	16	17	28	-5.9	-42.9
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	18	22	22	-18.2	-18.2
UNCLASSIFIED	14	16	7	-12.5	100.0

Natrona County

	186	193	335	-3.6	-44.5
TOTAL CLAIMS FILED					
TOTAL GOODS-PRODUCING	63	58	128	8.6	-50.8
Construction	42	25	50	68.0	-16.0
TOTAL SERVICE-PROVIDING	111	116	185	-4.3	-40.0
Trade, Transp., & Utilities	31	32	78	-3.1	-60.3
Financial Activities	8	11	8	-27.3	0.0
Prof. & Business Svcs.	28	22	23	27.3	21.7
Educational & Health Svcs.	25	26	21	-3.8	19.0
Leisure & Hospitality	17	14	17	21.4	0.0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	6	12	15	-50.0	-60.0
UNCLASSIFIED	4	6	6	-33.3	-33.3

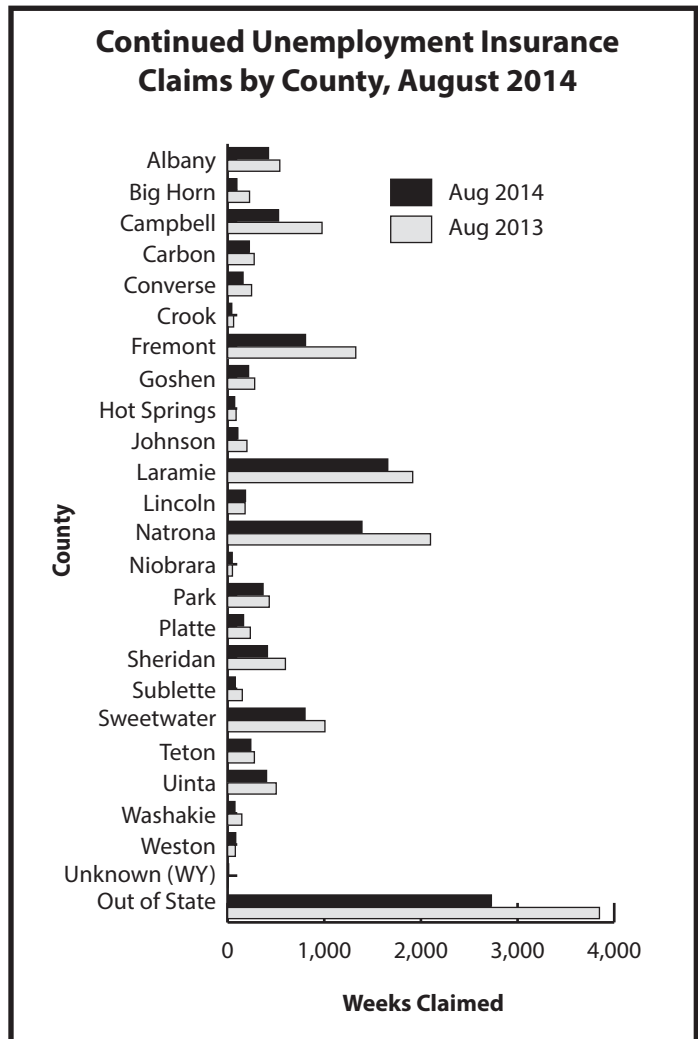
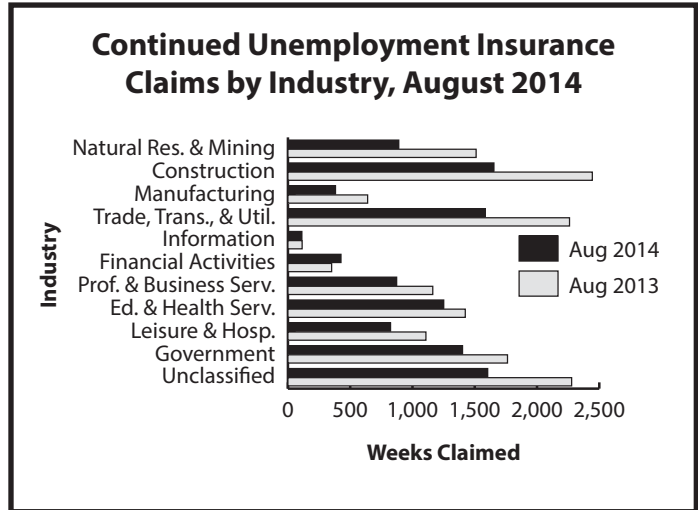
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Wyoming Normalized^a Unemployment Insurance Statistics: Continued Claims

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Continued weeks claimed decreased over the year (-28.1%). Financial activities experienced the only increase (21.4) over the year.

CONTINUED CLAIMS	% Change Weeks Claimed				
	Continued Weeks Claimed Aug 14		Aug 14		Aug 13
	Aug 14	Jul 14	Aug 13	Jul 14	Aug 13
Wyoming Statewide					
TOTAL WEEKS CLAIMED	11,325	12,200	15,748	-7.2	-28.1
TOTAL UNIQUE CLAIMANTS ^b	3,213	2,990	4,485	7.5	-28.4
Benefit Exhaustions	252	263	387	-4.2	-34.9
Benefit Exhaustion Rates	7.8%	8.8%	8.6%	-1.0%	-0.8%
TOTAL GOODS-PRODUCING					
Natural Res. & Mining	2,927	3,380	4,596	-13.4	-36.3
Mining	890	1,027	1,511	-13.3	-41.1
Oil & Gas Extraction	822	950	1,419	-13.5	-42.1
Construction	86	92	145	-6.5	-40.7
Manufacturing	1,654	1,835	2,444	-9.9	-32.3
TOTAL SERVICE-PROVIDING					
Trade, Transp., & Utilities	382	517	640	-26.1	-40.3
Wholesale Trade	5,390	5,573	7,109	-3.3	-24.2
Retail Trade	1,583	1,620	2,261	-2.3	-30.0
Transp., Warehousing & Utilities	279	317	526	-12.0	-47.0
Information	873	841	1,213	3.8	-28.0
Financial Activities	431	462	522	-6.7	-17.4
Prof. & Business Serv.	112	100	114	12.0	-1.8
Ed. & Health Serv.	426	376	351	13.3	21.4
Leisure & Hosp.	873	858	1,163	1.7	-24.9
Government	1,251	1,345	1,424	-7.0	-12.1
Unclassified	824	933	1,108	-11.7	-25.6
TOTAL GOVERNMENT					
Federal Government	315	332	683	-5.1	-53.9
State Government	1,402	1,421	1,763	-1.3	-20.5
Local Government	265	290	285	-8.6	-7.0
Local Education	194	202	226	-4.0	-14.2
UNCLASSIFIED	942	929	1,251	1.4	-24.7
Local Education	243	245	376	-0.8	-35.4
UNCLASSIFIED	1,604	1,823	2,278	-12.0	-29.6
Laramie County					
TOTAL WEEKS CLAIMED	1,657	1,625	1,914	2.0	-13.4
TOTAL UNIQUE CLAIMANTS	476	407	547	17.0	-13.0
TOTAL GOODS-PRODUCING					
Construction	308	297	400	3.7	-23.0
TOTAL SERVICE-PROVIDING					
Trade, Transp., & Utilities	174	189	290	-7.9	-40.0
Financial Activities	1,087	1,056	1,188	2.9	-8.5
Prof. & Business Svcs.	348	353	361	-1.4	-3.6
Educational & Health Svcs.	115	102	72	12.7	59.7
Leisure & Hospitality	317	236	296	34.3	7.1
TOTAL GOVERNMENT					
UNCLASSIFIED	232	254	345	-8.7	-32.8
UNCLASSIFIED	116	113	122	2.7	-4.9
UNCLASSIFIED	199	209	235	-4.8	-15.3
UNCLASSIFIED	61	62	89	-1.6	-31.5
Natrona County					
TOTAL WEEKS CLAIMED	1,389	1,460	2,098	-4.9	-33.8
TOTAL UNIQUE CLAIMANTS	401	364	631	10.2	-36.5
TOTAL GOODS-PRODUCING					
Construction	355	478	558	-25.7	-36.4
TOTAL SERVICE-PROVIDING					
Trade, Transp., & Utilities	139	144	186	-3.5	-25.3
Financial Activities	928	898	1,385	3.3	-33.0
Prof. & Business Svcs.	248	236	404	5.1	-38.6
Educational & Health Svcs.	77	63	55	22.2	40.0
Leisure & Hospitality	218	221	279	-1.4	-21.9
TOTAL GOVERNMENT					
UNCLASSIFIED	275	283	220	-2.8	25.0
UNCLASSIFIED	107	105	215	1.9	-50.2
UNCLASSIFIED	62	41	98	51.2	-36.7
UNCLASSIFIED	43	40	56	7.5	-23.2



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^bDoes not include claimants receiving extended benefits.

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